

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method for access network (112) sharing, for example, a GSM or UMTS 3G wireless communications radio access network (RAN), among multiple core networks (120, 12, 124 & 126), for example, wireless communications services networks, including transmitting information about the core network sharing the common access network, e.g., a pseudo network identity or the number of core networks sharing the common access network or pointer information, in a system information message. The communication device (102) uses the information provided in the system information message to connect to a core network.